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## Notice of Allowability

Application No. 09/450,632

Applicant(s)

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Examiner

Janelle Combs Morillo

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All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance and Issue Fee Due or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course.
This communication is responsive to <u>amendment filed Aug 28 2000</u>
The allowed claim(s) is/are
The drawings filed on are acceptable.
X Acknowledgement is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d).
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Applicant MUST submit NEW FORMAL DRAWINGS
because the originally filed drawings were declared by applicant to be informal.
☐ including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review, PTO-948, attached hereto or to Paper No
including changes required by the proposed drawing correction filed on, which has been approved by the examiner.
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Identifying indicia such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1.84(c)) should be written on the reverse side of the drawings. The drawings should be filed as a separate paper with a transmittal lettter addressed to the Official Draftsperson.
☐ Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.
Any response to this letter should include, in the upper right hand corner, the APPLICATION NUMBER (SERIES CODE/SERIAL NUMBER). If applicant has received a Notice of Allowance and Issue Fee Due, the ISSUE BATCH NUMBER and DATE of the NOTICE OF ALLOWANCE should also be included.
Attachment(s)
X Notice of References Cited, PTO-892
☐ Information Disclosure Statement(s), PTO-1449, Paper No(s).
☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review, PTO-948
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#### **EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT**

An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with John Mueller on September 7, 2000.

2. The application has been amended as follows:

In claim 1 line 1, change "comprising" to --consisting essentially of--.

In claim 1, delete "wherein said alloy contains substantially no Ag or antimony".

#### **Drawings**

3. The objection to the drawings has been withdrawn. The drawings are approved as filed on November 24 1999.

#### Conclusion

4. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Janelle Combs- Morillo whose telephone number is (703) 308-4757. The examiner can normally be reached Monday through Friday from 7:30am to 5:00pm.

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If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Roy King, can be reached on (703) 308-1146. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is (703) 305-7719.

Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application or proceeding should be directed to the receptionist whose telephone number is (703) 308-0661.

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September 11, 2000